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HARD ON BELANCO.

Be May Be Restrained From Producing the "Heart of Maryland." Butte, Mont., Dec. 24.—If the claims of Mrs. F. V. Marino of this city, as reported, David Belanco will be enjoined from producing the "Heart of Maryland," which is running at the Herald Square in New York.

Mrs. Marino was formerly Mrs. Alice M. Lettner, of Augusta, Ga., and is the author of a number of meritorious plays, among them the "Southern Convict," which she produced in 1880, and which she secured a copyright on February 5, 1881.

In the "Southern Convict" is a curious ball scene in all respects similar to Mrs. Carter's sensational scene in the "Heart of Maryland." Mrs. Marino has just secured the plot of the latter play and has placed her case in the hands of a firm of lawyers.

Mrs. Lettner was formerly well-known in New York, and was at one time a pupil of Emma Wheeler, formerly leading lady to James Brutus Booth.

The New Bond Syndicate. New York, Dec. 24.—The Evening Sun says: It was reported this afternoon that the syndicate to take the new issue of government bonds will consist of J. P. Morgan & Co., August Belmont & Co., Speyer & Co., Heilbrunn & Co., of Berlin, and other associated bankers.

Marital Troubles Caused Suicide. Kutztown, Pa., Dec. 24.—James Thompson, thirty years of age, committed suicide at Templeton this afternoon by hanging himself with a rope hitched to the bed post and a ring in the ceiling in his room. He was respondent in divorce proceedings instituted by his wife.

PATCHING UP THE TARIFF

Frame Work of the New Bill Has Been Completed.

FIFTEEN PER CENT INCREASE

Farm Products, Including Live Stock, Are Favored With a 25 Per Cent Horizontal Raise—Carpenter Woofs Restored to the McKinley Rate and Others 60 Per Cent.

"Let the country understand," said a leading Republican member of the House and Means Committee to the Times last evening, "that the bill we shall present to the House on Thursday is a pure revenue measure, hurriedly prepared to meet the exigency of our national finances and in response to the President's plea that some measure for relief must be afforded by Congress. There has been no attempt at tariff revision. Our measure is purely a revenue measure."

At yesterday afternoon's session of the Republican members of the committee several changes were made in the rates previously agreed upon. When an amendment was introduced at 3 o'clock to frame work of the bill had been completed, and nothing remained but to put it in proper form. At Monday's meeting it was decided that farm products, including live stock, should enjoy a 25 per cent horizontal increase over the present law, because of the ruinous competition which the granger element along the Northern frontier claimed to suffer from their Canadian neighbors across the line.

ON IRON AND STEEL. This led some of the Eastern members yesterday to ask a corresponding increase on manufacturers of iron and steel. This precipitated a spirited discussion in which the committee divided, practically, on geographical lines, the Westerners strongly opposing a higher rate than 15 per cent. After some debate an agreement was reached that the agricultural schedule should be placed in the same category as the other schedules, namely, at a 15 per cent horizontal increase. This was the only serious difference of the day, and it was speedily settled.

The sugar schedule alone is exempted from change. It was deemed inexpedient to include sugar in the horizontal increase owing to the embarrassments which might arise from increasing the differential duty on refined sugars.

The most important change made at yesterday's session was that relating to carpet woods, which in the new bill will be restored to the McKinley rate. On all other woods the duty, as stated in the Times on Monday, will be 60 per cent of the McKinley law, with the compensatory duty on the manufactured product also 60 per cent of the previous law. The duty on all grades of lumber will be placed at 60 per cent of the McKinley law.

BOND BILL COMPLETED.

The bond bill was completed yesterday and sent last night to the Government Printing Office. Both it and the revenue bill will be at the fall conference at 11 o'clock this morning. When the committee adjourns the Democratic members will hold a secret session, at which they will decide upon the policy to be pursued by the House in the House. Both bills, as has been previously reported, will be presented to the House on Thursday.

The Committee on Rules will report and pass upon the House, a resolution setting aside Thursday for consideration of the tariff bill and Friday for the bond measure. It may be said in passing, that this latter bill is understood to have the approval of Secretary Carlisle, and consequently, of the President as well. This encourages the Republican leaders to believe that it may pass the Senate, notwithstanding the preponderance of free silver sentiment in that body.

With the President favorable to the proposition, it is believed that the whole power of the administration will be exerted upon certain of the Democratic Senators from the South, with a possibility that a sufficient number may be secured to join the sound money Republicans and pass the measure.

FIVE-YEAR LOAN.

The bond bill is simple in its details. It provides for the issuance of bonds, interest and principal payable in coin and redeemable at the option of the government at the end of five years. It changes the rate of interest provided in the act of 1875, under which bonds are now issued, to 3 per cent, which is also the rate of interest that the Government coupon certificates of indebtedness, which will be used only to meet the deficit in the Treasury, will also bear. No provision is made in the bill regarding the legal tender notes.

The bill, by simply separating the redemption fund from the general assets of the Treasury, puts it in the power of the Secretary of the Treasury temporarily to suspend the legal tender when redeemed. The two bills will go into effect upon their passage and remain in operation until August 1, 1898.

HOLLAND MAY RECOVER.

Police Have Not Yet Found His Negro Assault. Mr. Millard F. Holland, the victim of Albert Culbert's brutal assault Monday evening, as told in yesterday's Times, was resting quietly at his home at a late hour last night.

He has partly regained consciousness, but his mind is still somewhat blank, and he cannot recall what happened. He talks at intervals, but his conversation is very incoherent.

He is gradually improving, and, although his condition is as serious, the doctor is quite hopeful and thinks the patient will recover. Culbert, the negro assailant, is still at large, but the police and detectives are keeping a sharp lookout and hope to land their man within a few days.

Mixed Up With a Cable Car.

George Oakton, a colored laborer, living at Arlington, imbibed too much Christmas good cheer and cheap whiskey and then attempted to board a cable car going at full speed. The result was he was taken to the Emergency Hospital with a broken wrist and a badly mangled foot. Upon Smith dived his injuries and he was sent home.

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Mr. C. G. CONN.

DEAR SIR: In answer to your letter of the 15th inst., we have to say that, as an advertising medium, we consider the Times fully equal to any newspaper in Washington. Its wonderful growth and its large circulation places it among the first class journals of the country, and under proper management there is no doubt of its success. The results we have had from our advertisements in the Times have been very satisfactory, and we see no reason why we shall not continue to use the paper for this purpose.

Yours truly,
Emrich & Co.

STABBED BY AN UNKNOWN

Fred Gissen Cut in a Drunken Row on the Avenue.

GUS STEWART ARRESTED

Had Been Ejected From Kerman's Theater for Improper Conduct and Was Standing at the Corner When Suddenly Gissen Cried Out He Was Hurt—Police Puzzled.

Frederick Gissen, sixteen years old, lies desperately wounded at Emergency Hospital from having been stabbed in the left side. The affray took place at the southeast corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Eleventh street northwest, about 9:30 o'clock last night. The reason for the cutting and the man who did it are not known, though Gus W. Stewart, who was with Gissen at the time of the cutting, and who was the primary cause of the disturbance, was arrested in blood, is locked up at police station No. 1, on a charge of drunkenness.

The red-headed knife, with which the man was cut, is in possession of Desk Sergeant Eberly.

Frederick Gissen, of No. 1419 Thirtieth street, attended Kerman's Theater in company with Gus Stewart and Thurman Shanks. It is understood that everybody had been drinking, Stewart being drunk.

EJECTED FROM THE PLAYHOUSE. He crossed the street and the presence of the policeman soon attracted a crowd. There was considerable excitement when Gissen threw his hand over his side and cried that somebody had cut him.

His clothing was saturated with blood and the police ambulance of the First precinct was called and Gissen removed to the hospital, where it was found that he had received a deep thrust between the tenth and eleventh ribs. The wound is a serious one and the chances are about even that the victim will die.

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Gissen is the son of Benjamin Gissen, the Georgetown baker. His mother called at the hospital late in the night, but Fred being asleep she did not see him.

The mystery surrounding the case brings to the memory of the police the mysterious stabbing affair which occurred at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Tenth street, a few weeks ago. This was the case of a man who walked into the hospital with a knife wound in the abdomen.

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GOMEZ HAS HIGH HOPES.

Senor Palma Receives a Cheerful Letter From the General.

Senor Palma, the Cuban agent in this city, received last evening a letter from the insurgent general, Gomez. The letter is full of remedies, the 5th inst., and is as follows:

"It is not long since I wrote you. I do so every time the opportunity offers, which is not often, due to the great amount of work on my shoulders.

"Eight days ago General Antonio Maceo and I fought the enemy, who were strong of infantry, cavalry and artillery. The arms of the Republic were victorious.

"We advance slowly but with firm and sure steps; the Spaniards are in need of everything, soldiers, money, sympathy; of leaders who have faith and courage.

"If the Cuban valor and resolution are not wanting in this beautiful land, if these virtues, our revolutionary qualities, do not weaken in the hearts of her children, I think that in the six months' campaign already initiated everything will be settled.

"That no sugar crops be made for any amount of money; that the sources from which the enemy still dreams to obtain money, be destroyed, we should not fear the complaints of a superficial and irritable world.

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ONE POSITION IS ENOUGH

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CHRISTMAS EVE MEETING

Important Matters Considered by a Full Attendance of Delegates—Subscriptions Made to the Locked-out Anacostia Men—Workingmen's Library and Labor Bureau Discussed.

Notwithstanding the numerous attractions and the desire of the delegates to be with their families, representatives from thirty-five local labor organizations answered roll call at the meeting of the Federation of Labor, held last evening at Astor's Hall, corner of Four-and-a-half street and Pennsylvania avenue.

Three new organizations, the Plate Printers, Bakers, and Excelsior Assemblies, made application for membership, and the credentials of their delegates were favorably acted upon and the representatives seated.

In lieu of a report on the case of the night watchman employed at the National Museum, the committee submitted the report of Sgt. Henry Horan, in answer to their complaint.

Will do so no more. Supt. Horan says: "I have investigated the circumstances connected with the notice which appeared in The Washington Times, of December 18, 1 that the watchman was doing some work for his landlord in lieu of rent. He informs me that the work is now completed and it is contrary to the rules and regulations of the department it will not be repeated."

The committee also called on Secretary of the Interior Smith and Secretary of State Olney in reference to men employed in the departments at night, and who do outside work during the day. These gentlemen promised to investigate the complaint and if the charges were found true the men referred to would have to stop this outside work or give up the positions held by them under the government.

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All Shoes Shined Free.

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Best wishes to you all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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REPORT SENT TO CONGRESS

Interstate Commerce Commission on the Joint Traffic Agreement.

Cites the Case of Thomas F. Brown, Now Pending, Decision of Which Is Important.

The Senate yesterday received from the Interstate Commerce Commission, in response to a Senate resolution, a report upon the joint traffic agreement recently entered into between the trunk lines operating between the Atlantic seaboard and the West.

Chairman Morrison, in this report, says that owing to the fact that the agreement is incomplete the commission cannot determine whether the contract which may be finally perfected will be a violation of the law or not. He says it is competent for the commission to secure the necessary testimony. Under the present ruling of the courts any inquiry may be arrested by the refusal of witnesses to testify on the subject.

Mr. Morrison refers to the case of Theodore F. Brown, now pending in the supreme court of the United States, in which the question involved is the power of the courts to compel railroad officials to answer questions concerning rates and rebates of their roads when they make this plea.

He says the decision in this case will determine whether it is practicable to secure conviction under a prosecution for unlawful contracts and combinations. He says that the commission has satisfied itself by careful investigation that no increase of charges or lessening of facilities has occurred as the result of this contract.

LEAK IN THE DEPARTMENT. How Sgt. Perry Was Unplugged by a Wide-Awake Reporter.

A strange case of telephonic confusion and adventure happened last night with Mr. C. L. La Normande, Sgt. Perry at the headquarters and a reporter at the office. The matter was reported by Sgt. Perry to Major Moore with a recommendation for investigation.

The reporter wished to talk with headquarters and after twirling the bell crank central said: "Number."

"Two hundred and fifty-nine, if you please." There was an unusual commotion on the wire and the reporter heard this:

"This is La Normande and I wish to report that Mr. C. L. La Normande is missing."

The reporter twisted his grip on the ear piece and smiled a broad smile. "Better let me see you in the detective office," said operator Clinger and headquarters. There was another jangle of bells and Sgt. Perry said:

"Hello." "This is La Normande and I wish to report that Mr. C. L. La Normande is missing." "Describe him," said the sergeant.

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DYNAMITE AND GUNPOWDER.

Fatal Explosion Accidentally Caused by Two Hunters.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 24.—The magazines of the Matthei Hardware Company's works at Salisbury were blown up by the explosion of 1,500 pounds of dynamite and fifty kegs of powder.

It is supposed that the explosion was caused by fire from the gun or guns of George and A. Weber, who were hunting in the neighborhood. George was instantly killed and A. Weber fatally hurt.

JUST ABOUT MEN. MM. De Rodays and Ferrier, the joint editors of the Figaro, gave a brilliantly attended musical soiree recently in honor of the King of Portugal. Several years ago the Prince of Wales paid a visit to the club-like offices of the Rue Droite.

Capt. Frank Wildes, of present command of the United States receiving ship Independence at Mare Island yard, Calif., fornia, has been ordered to the command of the United States cruiser Boston, now fitting for the Pacific. Capt. Wildes is a Boston man and comes from a well-known family, which has furnished several able defenders of our country on the sea.

Cats in the French Navy. Few people know that many cats are employed in connection with the French navy. They are used to protect the provision depots at the naval courts against rats and mice, and an allowance of a sou a day is made for their food. Before, however, they reach this high position they have to pass through a severe ordeal.